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THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

HAVING HEARD AND CONSIDERED THE STATEMENTS OF THE PETITIONERS, WHICH REFLECT THE VIEWS OF MAJOR TRENDS OF POLITICAL OPINION IN PUERTO RICO,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION OF 28TH AUGHST 1972 AND 30TH AUGUST 1973 AS WELL AS ITS DECISION OF 7TH SEPTEMBER 1976 CONCERNING PUERTO RICO,

BEARING IN MIND THE DECISION ON PUERTO RICO ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES HELD AT BELGRADE IN 1978 AND BY THE FIFTH CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENTS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES HELD AT COLOMBO IN 1976.

CONSCIOUS OF THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO TO MODIFY ITS PRESENT STATUS AND AWARE THAT PROPOSALS FOR SUCH MODIFICATION HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE PAST BY OFFICIAL ORGANS OF PUERTO RICO,

BEARING IN MIND THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES CONTAINED IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1514 (XV) OF 14TH DECEMBER 1960,

CONSCIOUS ALSO THAT ALL PEOPLES HAVE THE INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE, TO THE UNCLASSIFIED

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EXERCISE OF THEIR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY, TO RESPECT FOR INTEGRITY OF THEIR NATIONAL TERRITORY AND TO THE EXERCISE OF COMPLETE CONTROL OVER THEIR NATURAL WEALTH AND RESOURCES IN THE INTEREST OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT AND WELL-BEING.

BEARING IN MIND THE FACT THAT THE PETITIONERS'
STATEMENTS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT THE MAJOR PARTIES
IN PUERTO RICO FAVOUR A CHANGE IN ITS PRESENT STATUS
OR MODIFICATION OF ASPECTS OF IT,

- 1. REAFFIRMS THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1514 (XV).
- 2. REAFFIRMS THAT BY VIRTUE OF THAT RIGHT THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO SHOULD FREELY DETERMINE THEIR FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS AND PURSUE THEIR FURTHER ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.
- 3. AFFIRMS THAT SELF-DETERMINATION BY THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO IN A DEMOCRATIC PROCESS SHOULD BE EXERCISED

THROUGH MECHANISMS FREELY SELECTED BY THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE AFTER A COMPLETE TRANSFER OF POWERS BY THE U.S. TO THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1514 (XV), AND THAT ALL DETERMINATIONS CONCERNING STATUS SHOULD HAVE THE APPROVAL OF THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE.

4. CONSIDERS THAT THE PERSECUTIONS, HARASSMENTS AND REPRESSIVE MEASURES TO WHICH THE ORGANIZATIONS AND PERSONS STRUGGLING FOR INDEPENDENCE HAVE BEEN CONTINUOUSLY SUBJECTED CONSTITUTE VIOLATIONS OF THE NATIONAL RIGHTS OF THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND

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INDEPENDENCE.

- 5. DEEMS THAT IN THE EVENT THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE DECIDE TO ORGANIZE THEMSELVES IN AN INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC, THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO RECOVER THE TOTALITY OF THEIR TERRITORY, INCLUDING ALL LANDS NOW USED BY THE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S.A.
- 6. DEEMS ALSO THAT ANY FORM OF FREE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN PUERTO RICO AND THE UNITED STATES MUST BE IN TERMS OF POLITICAL EQUALITY IN ORDER TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS OF THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND OF APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL LAW, AND MUST RECOGNIZE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO.
- 7. URGES THE U.S.A. TO UNCONDITIONALLY RELEASE THE FOUR PUERTO RICAN POLITICAL PERSONALITIES WHO HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED FOR MORE THAN 24 YEARS.
- 8. URGES THE USA TO ABIDE BY THE PRINCIPLES OF RESOLUTION 1514 (XV) WITH RESPECT TO PUERTO RICO.
- 9. DECIDES TO KEEP UNDER REVIEW THE QUESTION OF PUERTO RICO AND REQUESTS THE RAPPORTEUR, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE SECRETARIAT, TO UPDATE INFORMATION ON THIS QUESTION TO FACILITATE CONSIDERATION OF APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP STEPS BY THE COMMITTEE IN 1979. END TEXT. YOUNG

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